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| Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary | Application No. | Applicant(s) | |
| | 09/710,342 | SWAINE ET AL. | |
| | Examiner | Art Unit | |
| | April A. Taylor | 2876 | |

All Participants:

(1) April A. Taylor (xa).

(2) Michael Chan (applicants' representative).

Status of Application: _____

(3) _____.

(4) _____.

Date of Interview: 1 March 2007

Time: _____

Type of Interview:

☒ Telephonic

☐ Video Conference

☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, provide a brief description:

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:

Claims discussed:

Claims 1, 8-10, 21, 24, 33, 40 and 41

Prior art documents discussed:

Sakurai (US 2003/0058139 A1)

Part II.

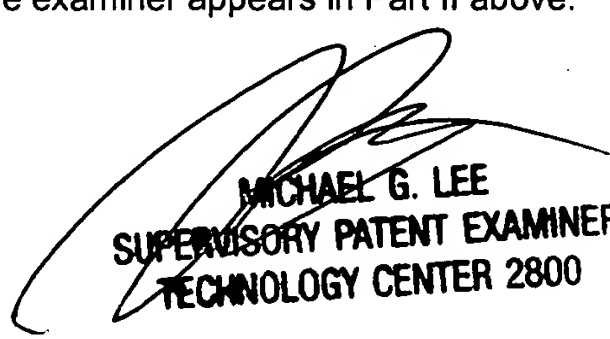
SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

See Continuation Sheet

Part III.

☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.

☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.


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 (Examiner/SPE Signature)

 (Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: An agreement was reached that the newly cited art to Sakurai meets the claimed limitation of independent claims 1, 8-10 and 21, therefore, authorization was given to the examiner to cancel claims 1, 3-10, 21 and 22 by way of an examiner's amendment. Furthermore, authorization was given to the examiner to amend claims 24, 33, 40 and 41 so that the claims recite "depressable push buttons" instead of "push buttons" or "buttons". The examiner indicated that claims 24-41 are allowable over the prior art of record and that a notice of allowance will be mailed with the next office action..